

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **Piper et al.**

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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: